| Cross Section   | Evaluation  |
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| 8-Lane Freeway Option                                   | <ul> <li>Provides acceptable capacity (LOS C) for through traffic and ramp entering/exiting traffic through 2025 design year.</li> <li>Provides reserve capacity for traffic growth beyond 2025</li> </ul>  |
| 6-Lane Freeway Option                                   | <ul> <li>Provides fair capacity (LOS C/D) in 2025 design year</li> <li>Does not provide reserve capacity for traffic growth beyond 2025</li> </ul>  |
| 4-Lane Mainline with Collector-Distributor (C-D) Option | <ul> <li>Provides acceptable capacity (LOS B) for through traffic, and fair capacity (LOS D/E) for entering and exiting traffic on C-D system</li> <li>Does not provide reserve capacity for traffic growth beyond 2025</li> <li>Would require downtown destined traffic to exit mainline I-74 upstream of destination</li> <li>Comparatively wide bridge cross section would increase construction costs</li> <li>C-D system on Iowa and Illinois approaches would result in comparatively greater right-of-way requirements and potential land use impacts</li> </ul>   |
| Double Deck with Collector-Distributor Option           | <ul> <li>Northbound and southbound roadways would be vertically separated by double deck structure</li> <li>Would significantly complicate or restrict access to riverfront areas since one direction of I-74 would need to be raised approximately 25 ft.</li> <li>Would significantly increase construction costs due to increased length of approach structure, double deck configuration, and complex interchange requirements</li> <li>Provides acceptable capacity (LOS B) for through traffic, and fair capacity (LOS D/E) for entering and exiting traffic on C-D system</li> <li>Does not provide reserve capacity for traffic growth beyond 2025</li> </ul> |

